

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 34, delete the Abstract and insert the following new Abstract:

Data associated with at least one characteristic associated with the viability of a product is monitored. The data associated with the at least one characteristic is analyzed, and based on the analyzing, at least one future viability state condition of the product is predicted. At least one indicator is displayed related to the at least one future viability state condition.